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PATENT APPLICATION

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Applicants: Mobley, et al. }  
Title: HOSPITAL BED CASTER }  
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 22, 2002, and following the personal interview of August 23, 2002, kindly amend this application as follows. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, a marked-up version of the amendments is attached as Appendix A.

In the Claims

Kindly substitute the following amended claims:

a/SUB BZ  
(Amended) A patient support apparatus comprising:  
a base frame,  
a patient support coupled to the base frame,  
a plurality of casters each having a sleeve, and

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